

THE WOMEN WHO TOIL.

GIRLS WHO FIND EMPLOYMENT IN THE CIGAR FACTORIES.

The "Tenement House Work" Done by Married Women—Personal Traits of the Factory Hands—Faithful and Hard-Working Wives—Means of Amusement.

But from all appearances these girls took no more interest in the lock-out difficulties than they did in the courses of the sun. Nothing seemed to occupy their thoughts but the rough-and-ready enjoyment of the hour. In appearance these girls differ widely from the tidy little shop girl of what might be called the Grand street order, though only a lower variety of the same grade. They were all dressed comfortably, but carelessly, in some instances approaching slovenliness. Their hands showed the effects of rougher work and greater physical strain than the girls who wait at the counter. But all of them looked healthy and some as robust as young athletes—thick hips, stout wrists, square shoulders and ruddy cheeks. Such splendid physical development was remarkable among young women who spend ten hours of their working day in the crowded, close rooms of a cigar factory. All the girls were foreigners, most of them below the medium height. Some of them had very pretty faces, not, however, expressing the vivacious brightness and alert intelligence of the shop-girl, but somewhat stupid when not roaring with laughter at some coarse fun.

The factory hands are girls almost exclusively, while the tenement-house work, as it is called, is done by married women. The girls go into the factories at an early age—10 years old often times—to learn the business. She at once begins to earn money, not much at first, but more and more as she becomes experienced, until in a year or two she can comfortably support herself according to her habits of life. Those who have homes are much better off than those who are dependent upon their own earnings for every little want. As a rule, the latter class are poorly prepared for a lock-out or a lack of work from any other cause, and they are sometimes in danger, if the difficulty is prolonged, of drifting off into the streets.

FAITHFUL AND HARD-WORKING WIVES. But it is a noticeable fact that girls who earn their living in cigar factories marry very early. Comparatively few of them remain single until they are 20 years old. After a girl is married she usually retains her place in the factory until she becomes a mother. Then she joins the constantly growing army of tenement-house cigar-makers and works at home with her husband. A man and his wife, fairly capable and industrious, will have no difficulty in earning \$30 a week between them. As families increase the women's fingers become less nimble, until they are finally crowded from the ranks altogether. Though, as a rule, but little fitted for domestic service, these women make very good cooks and seldom figure in quarrels so public as to reach the police.

The married women save and have savings bank deposits, but the girls seldom do. They enjoy themselves in their own way while they are young, and a police man who is on duty in that part of the city where they are thickest says it is a rare thing to see one of them on the street in the evening without a sweetheart. They make the most of the liberty they have when working hours are over. They have their evenings and Sundays at their own disposal, with no employer to ask any question concerning their whereabouts so long as they are at their premises during working hours. The girls work hard all day, for they are paid by the piece, and they must work hard to earn much. Their evenings they spend in the open air when not in the halls. Their social meetings in these places never break up till late. The girls get along with very little sleep—seldom more than five or six hours. They impress the observer as being abundantly able to take care of themselves in their independent, wilful means of enjoyment. As a rule they are irreligious, have their standard of morality, and are regardless of all but their own rules of propriety—New York Times.

Persia's Religion and Bible. "In Persia church and state are practically one. The Koran is the law of the land and of the family. It goes into family matters in the minutest way. It was published in New York 10,000. Anthony Comstock would rise to suppress it. It leaves nothing to be supplied by the imagination and calls a spade a spade in every case. There is great religious toleration in Persia, however, and a man may believe in any God, or no God, or may announce himself as God, as long as he acknowledges that Mahomet is his prophet and obeys the secular laws of the Koran.

"The people are quick-witted and given to poetry and philosophic speculation more than to the exact sciences. The executive ability of the rulers is developed to a high degree and justice is dispensed impartially, with occasional exceptions of despotic cruelty and bribery. There are 35,000 Fireworshippers in Persia, and the sacred flame has burned uninterruptedly for 2,300 years. There is one good point about the Fireworshippers. Fire with them is sacred, and therefore they object to smoking. No greater insult can be offered to a Parsee gentleman than to smoke in his presence."—Ex-Minister Benjamin's Lecture.

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